

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1-43. (Canceled).

44. (Currently Amended) A clip for joining a plurality of roller trays in a gravity feed roller system, wherein each of the roller trays comprises a side defining a plurality of apertures, the clip comprising:

first and second sides ~~respectively~~ each having ~~at least one~~ first and second protruding tines flanking a guide post, each of the first and second tines configured to engage with respective ones of the plurality of apertures to connect two or more of the plurality of roller trays, each guide post being longer than each tine.

45. (Original) A clip as defined in claim 44, wherein each of the protruding tines comprises a center section and a pair of flexible arms each joined at one end to the center section, the flexible arms having a normal biased position.

46. (Original) A clip as defined in claim 45, wherein the flexible arms are configured to move toward the center section when being inserted into the respective apertures and return to the normal biased position when the tines are fully inserted into the aperture such that the tines are locked into the apertures.

47. (Currently Amended) A clip as defined in claim 44, wherein the apertures further comprise guide apertures ~~and the first and second sides include~~ receiving the guideposts ~~configured for insertion into respective ones of the guide apertures~~ to locate the clip in a prescribed position.

48. (Original) A clip as defined in claim 47, wherein the prescribed position comprises a position where the tines may properly engage with the respective ones of the apertures.

49. (Canceled).

50. (Original) A clip as defined in claim 44, wherein the clip has a top portion defining a slot formed therein that is configured to engage with a divider bar.

51. (Currently Amended) A clip as defined in claim 50, wherein the divider bar ~~member~~ is selectively placed in the slot to divide ~~the first and second~~ each of the roller trays in the plurality of roller trays into two dispensing roller trays.

52. (Currently Amended) A clip as defined in claim 50, the clip having a thickness that causes a gap to be defined between the first and second roller trays such that the slots are engageable with the divider bar ~~member~~.

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